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Security Council

10 a.m. Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

Georgia

Other matters

Morning[1] 5549th meeting — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Georgia

   Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Abkhazia, Georgia (S/2006/771)

Morning[2] 5550th meeting — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December1994

   Letter dated 2 October 2006 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2006/799)

Morning[3] Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

Non-proliferation/Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Other matters

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the consultations of the whole.

[2] To be held following the adjournment of the 5549th meeting.

[3] To be held following the adjournment of the 5550th meeting.

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General Assembly

Sixty-first session

10 a.m. 30th plenary meeting Conference Room 2

2001-2010: Decade to roll back malaria in developing countries, particularly in Africa [48]: note by the Secretary-General (A/61/218 and A/61/218/Corr.1); New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support; causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa [62 (a) and (b)]: reports of the Secretary-General (A/61/212 and A/61/213); note by the Secretary-General (A/61/69 and A/61/69/Add.1): *joint debate*

3 p.m. 31st plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

Appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations [104]

(a) Letter from the President of the Security Council to the President of the General Assembly (A/61/501)

(b) Draft resolution (A/61/L.3)

Main Committees

First Committee

3–5 p.m. 13th meeting Conference Room

Thematic discussion on item subjects, as well as introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items (items 82 to 97): *item 82* (A/61/133 and A/61/133/Add.1); *item 83* (A/61/183 and A/61/190); *item 84*; *item 85* (A/61/161); *item 86*; *item 87* (A/61/140 (Part I) and A/C.1/61/L.1); *item 88*; *item 89* (A/C.1/61/L.10); *item 90* (A/61/98, A/61/112, A/61/113, A/61/114, A/61/116, A/61/118, A/61/118/Add.1, A/61/124, A/61/127, A/61/127/Add.1, A/61/159, A/61/159/Corr.1, A/61/159/Add.1, A/61/159/Add.1/Corr.1, A/61/164, A/61/168, A/C.1/61/5, A/C.1/61/L.3, A/C.1/61/L.4, A/C.1/61/L.5, A/C.1/61/L.6, A/C.1/61/L.7, A/C.1/61/L.8, A/C.1/61/L.13, A/C.1/61/L.15, A/61/169, A/61/169/Add.1, A/61/171, A/61/171/Add.1, A/61/261, A/61/288, A/61/293 and A/61/344-S/2006/741); *item 91* (A/61/130, A/61/130/Corr.1, A/61/137, A/61/157, A/61/163, A/61/215, A/61/365, A/C.1/61/L.9, A/C.1/61/L.12 and A/C.1/61/L.14); *item 92* (A/61/180, A/61/297 and A/C.1/61/L.11); *item 93* (A/61/160 (Part II) and A/C.1/61/L.2); *item 94*; *item 95* (A/61/123); *item 96* (A/61/134 and A/61/184); and *item 97*

[Other documents: A/C.1/61/1, A/C.1/61/2, A/C.1/61/4 and A/C.1/61/INF/1]

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

10 a.m. 9th meeting Conference Room

1. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [39]

Question of Western Sahara

Action on draft resolution A/C.4/61/L.5

2. International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space (A/61/20 and A/61/20/Corr.1) [30]

General debate

Working Group of the Whole on International Cooperation in the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space

Morning[1]–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 3
3–5 p.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 8
5[2]–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 4

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 9th meeting of the Fourth Committee.
[2] To be held following the adjournment of the 13th meeting of the First Committee.

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 15th meeting Conference Room 1

Promotion and protection of the rights of children (A/61/303) [63]

(a) Promotion and protection of the rights of children (A/61/41, A/61/41/Corr.1, A/61/41/Add.1[1], A/61/207, A/61/275, A/61/275/Corr.1 and A/61/299)

(b) Follow-up to the special session on children (A/61/270)

Introductory remarks by:

Chairperson of the Committee on the Rights of the Child

Continuation of general discussion

3–6 p.m. 16th meeting Conference Room 1

1. Social development: United Nations Literacy Decade: education for all [60 (c)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.4

2. Promotion and protection of the rights of children (A/61/303) [63]

(a) Promotion and protection of the rights of children (A/61/41, A/61/41/Corr.1, A/61/41/Add.1[1], A/61/207, A/61/275, A/61/275/Corr.1 and A/61/299)

(b) Follow-up to the special session on children (A/61/270)

Continuation and conclusion of general discussion

[*Note*: The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items allocated to the Third Committee is open. Delegations are kindly requested to consult the draft programme of work of the Third Committee (A/C.3/61/L.1) prior to contacting the Secretariat with their request for inscription on the list (contact: Ms. Nancy Beteta (tel. 1 (212) 963-5722; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Delegations that have not submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are reminded to convey such information to the Secretary of the Third Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (room S-2950D; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).]

[*Note*: Delegations wishing to reserve rooms for informal consultations on Third Committee matters are requested to contact Ms. Danielle Maillard-Lejano (tel. 1 (917) 367-5865; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail Maillard-Lejano@un.org).]

[1] To be issued.

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 115 (Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/61/5 (Vol. I), A/61/5 (Vol. III), A/61/5 (Vol. IV), A/61/5/Add.1, A/61/5/Add.2, A/61/5/Add.3, A/61/5/Add.4, A/61/5/Add.5, A/61/5/Add.6, A/61/5/Add.7, A/61/5/Add.8, A/61/5/Add.9, A/61/5/Add.11, A/61/5/Add.11/Corr.1, A/61/5/Add.12, A/61/61/5/Add.12/Corr.1, A/61/182, A/61/214, A/61/214/Add.1 and A/61/350))

3–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 127 (Report on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/61/214 (Part 1), A/61/214 (Part 1)/Add.1, A/61/214 Part 1)/Add.2, A/61/61 and A/61/61/Add.1))

Sixth Committee

10–11.45 a.m. 4th meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Measures to eliminate international terrorism (A/61/37, A/61/210, A/61/210/Add.1, A/61/178 and A/61/280) [100]

11.45 a.m.–1 p.m. Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal briefing by the Office of Legal Affairs

[*Note*: The list of speakers for agenda items 128 (Administration of Justice at the United Nations); 153 (Requests for Observer Status in the General Assembly); 79 (Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization) and 80 (The rule of law at the national and international levels) is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Marissa Amores (tel. 1 (212) 963-5352; fax 1(212) 963-1963). Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs, secretariat of the Sixth Committee (room S-3460; fax 1 (212) 963-1963).]

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund (UNJSPF)

Peacebuilding Commission
Second session

Burundi configuration

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	1st meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber	
3–6 p.m.	2nd meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber	
	1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (PBC/2/BUR/1)		[1]
	2. Peacebuilding in Burundi (PBC/2/BUR/CRP.2)		[2]
	3. Conclusions and recommendations of the Commission relating to Burundi		[3]

General Assembly
Sixty-first session

Second Committee
Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), under agenda item 51 (d) (Commodities – International Year of Natural Fibres)

From 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Marcelo Suárez Salvia (Argentina), under agenda item 51 (c) (External debt crisis and development)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal consultations convened by delegations

Friday, 13 October 2006

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 60 (a) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of South Africa, on behalf of the Group of 77)

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room C

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on improving coordination of efforts against slavery and trafficking in persons, under agenda item 98 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Belarus)

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room D

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on strengthening the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme, in particular its technical cooperation capacity, under agenda item 98 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Italy)

10 a.m.–12 noon Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Informal meeting on the draft resolution on conventional ammunition stockpiles in surplus, under agenda item 90 (s) (First Committee) (convened by the delegations of France and Germany)

11 a.m.–12 noon Closed meeting Conference Room A

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the implementation of human rights instruments (torture), under agenda item 67 (a) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Denmark)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Other meetings

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Friday, 13 October 2006

2006 United Nations Disarmament Fellowship Programme

9 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

2–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Disarmament (informal consultations)

9.30–11 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau (extraordinary meeting)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on the Outcome of the World Summit on Social Development)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on international trade and development)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Briefing on the outcome of the Seventh Meeting of the States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction by the President of the Meeting (Australia)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

Southern African Development Community (SADC) (Second Committee experts)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Other activities

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Friday, 13 October 2006

Briefing on preparations for the United Nations Conference on Anti-corruption Measures, Good Governance and Human Rights (8-9 November 2006, Warsaw, Poland) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Poland, in cooperation with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room D.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Kate Birmingham, OHCHR (tel. 1 (917) 367-3262).]

Open-ended discussion on an informal global meeting to identify principles to govern the transfer of small arms and light weapons throughout the world (organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada)

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited to attend.]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>

Friday, 13 October 2006

Room S-226

11 a.m.	H.E. Mr. Enrique Berruga, Permanent Representative of Mexico; Mr. Craig Mokhiber, Deputy Director, New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights; Ms. Tonya Gonnella Frichner Esq., President, American Indian Law Alliance; and Ms. Elsa Stamatopoulou, Chief, Secretariat of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (on the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, its history, significance and current status)
Guest at 12 noon	Mr. Djibril Diallo, Director of the United Nations Office of Sport for Development and Peace (to provided an update on the preparations for the United Nations Global Youth Leadership Summit (29–31 October 2006))
Afternoon[1]	H.E. Mr. Irakli Alasania, Permanent Representative of Georgia; and a special guest from the Georgian Government (on recent developments in the conflict settlement process in Abkhazia, Georgia)
Afternoon[2]	H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon, United Nations Secretary-General-designate

[1] To be held following the noon briefing.

[2] Time and venue to be determined.

Forthcoming official meetings

Monday, 16 October 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

10 a.m.	32nd plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall
	Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council	[103 (a)]

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Informal "informal" consultations

There will be informal "informal" consultations on the draft resolution on the follow-up to the World Summit Outcome on strengthening of the Economic and Social Council, convened by Mr. Carlos G. Ruiz Massieu Aguirre (Mexico), on Monday, 16 October 2006, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Main Committees

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Selwin Hart (Barbados), under agenda item 52 (Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development)

Monday, 16 October 2006, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 6;

Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Ms. Katarzyna Kukier (Poland), under agenda item 51 (b) (International Financial System and Development)

Monday, 16 October 2006, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6;

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Facilitator, Ms. Sigrid Anna Oddsen (Norway), under agenda item 51 (d) (Commodities)

Monday, 16 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6;

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room D; and

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Marcelo Suárez Salvia (Argentina), under agenda item 51 (c) (External debt crisis and development)

Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), under agenda item 51 (d) (Commodities – – International Year of Natural Fibres)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 5 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Facilitator, Ms. Usniyya Mammadova (Azerbaijan), under agenda item 55 (e) (Integration of countries with economies in transition into the world economy)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6

Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), informal presentation of the draft resolution on trade, under agenda item 51 (a) (International trade and development)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 10 to 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 6

Interactive dialogue

There will be an interactive dialogue between the Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions and the Second Committee on Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The meeting will be chaired by H.E. Mrs. Tiina Intelmann (Estonia), Chairperson of the Committee. The presentations will be on the following sub-themes, followed by an exchange of views:

Innovation and the competitiveness of the transition economies: Mr. Marek Belka, Executive Secretary, ECE;

ICT: Empowering women through e-Business – ESCAP case study: Mr. Kim Hak-Su, Executive Secretary, ESCAP;

Promoting an enabling environment to foster knowledge and innovation for development: Ms. Mervat Tallawy, Executive Secretary, ESCWA;

Nurturing alliances for regional and interregional cooperation in science and technology: Mr. Abdoulie Janneh, Executive Secretary, ECA; and

Infrastructure, institutions and human resources development for promoting knowledge, Technology and Innovation: Mr. José Luis Machinea, Executive Secretary, ECLAC.

Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Panel discussion

There will be a panel discussion on the theme "Social policy in an era of globalization" on Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Panellists will include Prof. Laura Tyson, University of California Berkeley Haas School of Business, and current Dean, London Business School; Prof. Kaushik Basu, C. Marks Professor of International Studies and Professor of Economics, Cornell University; and Dr. Michal Rutkowski, Director, Human Development Department, Middle East and North African Region, World Bank.

The event, organized by the Office of ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will be presided over by H.E. Mrs. Tiina Intelmann (Estonia), Chairperson of the Second Committee.

Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Third Committee

Listed below is the tentative schedule for introductory statements by Special Rapporteurs, Special Representatives, Independent Experts and other special mechanisms who will be presenting reports to the Third Committee:

Monday, 16 October 2006 (morning) (agenda item 64):

Mr. Rodolfo Stavenhagen (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people)

Thursday, 19 October 2006 (agenda item 67):

10 a.m.

Mr. Paul Hunt (Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health); Mr. Ibrahim Salama (Chairperson-Rapporteur, Working Group on the right to development, Commission on Human Rights) – Oral report; Mr. Jorge A. Bustamante (Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants)

3 p.m.

Mr. John Dugard (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967)

Friday, 20 October 2006 (agenda item 67):

10 a.m.

Mr. Paolo Sérgio Pinheiro (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar); Mr. Vitit Muntarbhorn (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea); Ms. Sima Samar (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan)

3 p.m.

Mr. Titinga Frédéric Pacéré (Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo); Mr. Akich Okola (Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Burundi)

Monday, 23 October 2006 (agenda item 67):

10 a.m.

Mr. Philip Alston (Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions); Ms. Hina Jilani (Special Representative of the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights defenders); Mr. Manfred Nowak (Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment)

3 p.m.

Mr. Walter Kälin (Representative of the Secretary-General on the human rights of internally displaced persons); Ms. Asma Jahangir (Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief); Mr. Leandro Despouy (Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges and lawyers)

Wednesday, 25 October 2006 (agenda item 67):

10 a.m.

Mr. Martin Scheinin (Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism); Ms. Yakin Ertürk (Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and

consequences) — Oral report; Mr. Bernards Andrew Nyamwaya Mudho (Independent Expert on the effects of economic reform policies and foreign debt on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights)

3 p.m.

Mr. Jean Ziegler (Special Rapporteur on the right to food)

Monday, 6 November (agenda items 65 and 66):

10 a.m.

Mr. Doudou Diène (Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance); Ms. Amada Benavidez de Pérez (Chairperson of the Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination)

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 6th meeting on Monday, 16 October 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 6th meeting and at 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5. There will be an informal briefing on governance and oversight review, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
Informal briefing

The Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund will hold an informal briefing on "Ending child hunger and undernutrition initiative", which is on the agenda of the 2007 first regular session of the Board. The briefing will take place on Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters

Second session

The second session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters will take place from Monday, 30 October, to Friday, 3 November 2006, in Conference Room XX, at the Palais des Nations, Geneva.

Delegations are kindly requested to submit the names of observers to the Financing for Development Office, DESA (fax 1 (212) 963-0443; e-mail ffdoffice@un.org). For further information, please contact Mr. Masa Ohyama, Financing for Development Office (tel. 1 (212) 963-4695; e-mail ohyama@un.org).

Forthcoming informal consultations convened by delegations

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on international cooperation against the drug problem, under agenda item 99 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

Monday, 16 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the effects of atomic radiation, under agenda item 29 (Fourth Committee) (convened by the delegation of Australia)

Monday, 16 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4; and

Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the in-depth study on violence against women, under agenda item 61 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegations of France and the Netherlands)

Monday, 16 October 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the situation in Afghanistan, under agenda item 16 (convened by the delegation of Germany)

Monday, 16 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in *Conference Room B*;

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber;

Wednesday, 25 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Tuesday, 31 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on improving coordination of efforts against slavery and trafficking in persons, under agenda item 98 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Belarus)

Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C; and

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 60 (a) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of South Africa, on behalf of the Group of 77)

Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C; and

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the prohibition of the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices, under agenda item 90 (First Committee) (convened by the delegation of Canada)

Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in Central Asia, under agenda item 90 (bb) (First Committee) (convened by the delegations of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Arab Group (First Committee experts)

Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Friends of the International Criminal Court: Briefing by the Chief Prosecutor of the Court

Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in the Penthouse of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library.

UNITAR French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

Wednesday, 25 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9;

Thursday, 26 October 2006, from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9; and

Friday, 27 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

[For more information, please contact Ms. Laura Fähndrich (tel. 1 (212) 963-9196; e-mail faehndrich@un.org).]

Asian Group (monthly meeting)

Friday, 27 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

UNITAR briefing on "Operationalizing the Peacebuilding Commission"

Thursday, 2 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Sarah Rosengärtner (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021; rosengaertner@un.org).].

UNITAR/OLA Seminars on Deposit of Treaty Actions with the Secretary-General and the Registration of Treaties

French Seminar

Tuesday, 7 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5.45 p.m. in Conference Room E; and

English Seminar

Wednesday, 8 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.; and *Thursday, 9 November 2006*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Catharina Goldschmidt (tel. 1 (212) 963-9684; e-mail goldschmidt@un.org).]

Other forthcoming activities

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Fifth seminar in the "Unlearning intolerance" Seminar Series of the Department of Public Information, entitled "Cartooning for peace"

Monday, 16 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Rene Tanoy (tel. 1 (917) 367-9326; or e-mail tanoy@un.org).]

Dialogue on "Towards implementing the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples" (co-sponsored by the Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division for Social Policy and Development, DESA, the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

Monday, 16 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please consult the following Web site: <www.un.org/esa/socdev/unpfii>.]

Panel discussion on "An emerging form of exploitation of women: Harvesting and trafficking of human eggs" (sponsored by the United States Mission)

Monday, 16 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Peggy Kerry, United States Mission (tel. 1 (212) 415-4054; e-mail kerryp@state.gov).]

Panel discussion on "Kids, guns and gangs" (organized by the Permanent Missions of Canada and Slovenia)

Monday, 16 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

[All are invited to attend.]

Launching of the report "Mairin Iwanka Raya, Indigenous Women Stand against Violence" (co-sponsored by the Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division for Social Policy and Development, DESA, the International Indigenous Women's Forum (HWF/FIMI) and MADRE, an international women's human rights organization)

Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please consult the following Web site: <www.un.org/esa/socdev/unpfii>.]

Observance of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty (organized by by the Department of Economic Affairs and the International Movement ATD Fourth World)

Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in the United Nations Garden.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, contact Mr. Donald Lee (tel. 1 (212) 963-8762, e-mail lee27@un.org.); or visit the following Web site: <www.un.org/esa/socdev/poverty/poverty_link3.htm>.]

Conference on "Sustainable urban design" (organized by the Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), in cooperation with the Institute for Urban Design, Toyo University, the Building Social Housing Foundation and the Rockefeller Foundation)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 4.45 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend.]

Special ceremony in observance of World Food Day 2006 on the theme "Investing in agriculture for food security" (organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend.]

Announcements

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered. The second round of language-specific informational meetings for this year will be held in October and November, according to the following schedule:

Monday, 30 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Arabic*
Tuesday, 31 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Chinese*
Wednesday, 1 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *English*
Thursday, 2 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *French*
Friday, 3 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Russian*
Friday, 3 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Spanish*

All meetings will take place in Conference Room 8.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Wednesday, 4 October 2006, and for the rest of the month, the presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

UNITAR Fellowship Programme at Columbia University Law School and UNITAR Visitors Programme at New York University School of Law, for diplomats accredited o the United Nations

The deadline for registration is Monday, 23 October 2006. For further information, plea contact the UNITAR office (room DC1-603, tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 or 963-9196, e-mail goldschmidt@un.org, or info@unitarny.org).

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 11 October 2006

Economic and Social Council

2006 resumed substantive session

44th meeting

Programme, coordination and other questions: reports of coordination bodies [7 (

The Council resumed its consideration of the sub-item and heard an introductory statement by the Chairperson of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, Ms. Norma Elaine Taylor Roberts (Jamaica).

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group 77 and China) and Guinea-Bissau, after which the Chairperson of the Committee on Programme and Coordination made a statement.

Oral decision

The President of the Council proposed an oral draft decision, whereby the Council would decide to take note of the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its forty-sixth session.

Following statements by the representatives of the United States and Japan, the Coun adopted the draft decision.

Following adoption of the draft decision, a statement was made by the representative South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

The Council thus concluded its consideration of sub-item 7 (a) and of item 7 as a whe

Thursday, 12 October 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

28th plenary meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/61/512) [122]

Under rule 66 of its rules of procedure, the General Assembly decided not to discuss the report of the Fifth Committee that was before the Assembly.

The General Assembly decided to adopt the draft resolution recommended by the Fifth Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/61/512) (resolution 61/2).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 122.

2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa [48]; *note by the Secretary-General (A/61/218 and Corr.1); New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support; causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa* [62 (a) and (b)]; *reports of the Secretary-General (A/61/212 and A/61/213); note by the Secretary-General (A/61/69 and A/61/69/Add.1); joint debate*

The President of the General Assembly made a statement.

Statements were made by representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Finland (on behalf of the European Union, as well as those countries which aligned themselves with the statement), Grenada (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), the Philippines (on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations), India, Algeria, Rwanda, the Russian Federation, Tunisia, Kuwait, Egypt, Nigeria, Senegal, Cuba and Japan.

29th plenary meeting

2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa [48]; *note by the Secretary-General (A/61/218 and Corr.1); New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support; causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa* [62 (a) and (b)]; *reports of the Secretary-General (A/61/212 and A/61/213); note by the Secretary-General (A/61/69 and A/61/69/Add.1); joint debate*

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 62 and its sub-items (a) and (b) and agenda item 48.

Statements were made by representatives of Djibouti, Ghana, Gambia (on behalf of the African Group), Peru, the United Republic of Tanzania, Canada, Morocco, Brazil, Myanmar, Togo, Ethiopia, the Sudan, Zambia, Jamaica, the Republic of Korea, Viet Nam, Pakistan and Nepal.

Programme of work

The President informed the General Assembly that the recommendations of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, contained in paragraphs 120 and 287 of the report of the Committee, would be transmitted to the Chairpersons of the Second and Third Committees for appropriate action under agenda item 118 (Programme planning).

Main Committees

First Committee

12th meeting

Thematic discussion on item subjects, as well as the introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under all disarmament and international security agenda items (82 to 97)

The Committee continued its second stage of work namely the "Thematic discussion on item subjects, as well as the introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under items 82 to 97."

Statements were made by the representatives of the Sudan and Egypt.

Statements were also made by the representatives of India (who introduced the draft resolution entitled "Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction"), the Netherlands (who introduced the draft resolution entitled "Transparency in Armaments"), Hungary (who introduced the draft resolution entitled "Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction"), the Russian Federation (who introduced the draft resolution entitled "Transparency and Confidence-building measures in outer space activities"), Poland (who introduced the draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction"), Indonesia (who, on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement, introduced the draft resolution A/C.1/61/L.5), the Islamic Republic of Iran (who introduced the draft resolution A/C.1/61/L.3), Egypt (who introduced the draft resolution entitled "Prevention of an arms race in outer space") and Mexico (who introduced the draft resolutions entitled "Disarmament and non-proliferation on Education" and "United Nations Disarmament Information Programme").

The Chairman of the Group of Governmental Experts on the United Nations Register of Conventional Arms made a statement.

The President of the Review Conference on Small Arms and Light Weapons made a statement.

Statements were also made by the representatives of Canada, Finland (on behalf of the European Union), Brazil (on behalf of the MERCOSUR), Costa Rica (on behalf of the Central American Integration System (SICA)), China, New Zealand, Kenya, Mozambique, the Republic of Korea and the Russian Federation.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

8th meeting

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space [30]

The Committee began its general debate with statements by the representatives of Colombia, Finland (on behalf of the European Union), Cuba, Israel, the Syrian Arab Republic, Kazakhstan, the United States, Brazil (on behalf of MERCOSUR), China, India, Nigeria, Ukraine, the Russian Federation and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Comments were made by the representatives of Germany and Chile.

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [39]

Question of Western Sahara

The representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union), Algeria and Morocco made statements.

The Committee decided to defer action on draft resolution A/C.4/61/L.5 on the Question of Western Sahara, until Friday, 13 October, at 10 a.m.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Second Committee

12th meeting

Macroeconomic policy questions: international financial system and development [51 (b)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.3

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

The representative of South Africa, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, introduced the draft resolution.

Macroeconomic policy questions: commodities [51 (d)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.2

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

The representative of South Africa, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, introduced the draft resolution.

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: participation of volunteers, "White Helmets", in the activities of the United Nations in the field of humanitarian relief, rehabilitation and technical cooperation for development [69 (c)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.4

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

The representative of Argentina introduced the draft resolution.

Information and communication technologies for development [50]

The Committee began its consideration of the item and heard introductory statements by the Senior Advisor on information management and policy coordination of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination and the Senior Public Information and Liaison Officer, New York Office of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

A statement was also made by the Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States.

General discussion

The Committee held its general discussion of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Tunisia, Iraq, Indonesia (on behalf of the Association of South East Asian Nations), the Republic of Korea, Belarus, Nepal and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the International Federation of R Cross and Red Crescent Societies and the Inter-Parliamentary Union.

Third Committee

14th meeting

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [

(a) Promotion and protection of the rights of children

(b) Follow-up to the special session on children

The Committee heard an introductory statement by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict.

Question and answer time

Comments were made and questions posed by the representatives of the Sudan, Finlan (on behalf of the European Union), Thailand, Benin, France and Azerbaijan, as well a by the observer for Palestine, to which the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict responded.

General discussion

The Committee continued its general discussion of the item and heard statements by t representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and associated countries) Namibia (on behalf of the Southern African Development Community (SADC)), Japa Egypt, Pakistan, the Sudan, the United States, Barbados (on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)), Nigeria, Iraq, Brazil, Bangladesh, China, Slovenia (on behalf of the Human Security Network States), New Zealand, Georgia and Nicaragua.

Fifth Committee

5th meeting

Financing of the United Nations Operation in Burundi [1

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Controller introduced the reports of the Secretary-General (A/60/612 and A/61/309).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Question introduced the related report of that Committee (A/61/485).

Statements were made by the representatives of Nigeria (on behalf of the African Group), the United States, Guatemala, and Japan.

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Question replied to a question raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item at this stage

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this item would begin on that day, Thursday, 12 October, following the adjournment of the formal meeting, in Conference Room 5, under the chairmanship of Mr. Diego Simancas (Mexico) and Rapporteur of the Committee.

Sixth Committee

3rd meeting

Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism [100]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 100.

Statements were made by the representatives of Singapore, the Niger, Cuba, Sierra Leone, the Congo, Indonesia, Australia (on behalf of CANZ), Belarus, Bahrain, Switzerland, Burkina Faso, Guyana (on behalf of the Rio Group), Ethiopia, Ghana, Iraq, Malaysia, Egypt, Angola, Kazakhstan, Senegal, Kyrgyzstan (on behalf of the Shangai Cooperation Organisation), Japan, the United Republic of Tanzania, China and the Gambia (on behalf of the Group of African States).

The representatives of the United States and Cuba spoke in the exercise of the right of reply.

The members were informed that the Committee would continue its debate on this agenda item, on Friday, 13 October.

Peacebuilding Commission

Second session

Sierra Leone configuration

1st meeting

The Chairman, H.E. Mr. Ismael Abraão Gaspar Martins (Angola), made opening remarks.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1]

The Commission adopted its provisional agenda for the Sierra Leone configuration, as contained in document PBC/2/SIL/1.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Commission agreed that its meetings under the Sierra Leone configuration would be open meetings.

The Commission also requested the Chairman to summarize the discussions held during its first two meetings.

Peacebuilding in Sierra Leone [2]

The Commission began its consideration of the item and heard presentations on the topic of "Consolidating peace — Critical issues" by the following lead speakers: H.E. Mr. Solomon Ekuma Berewa, Vice-President of Sierra Leone; Mr. Victor Angelo, Executive Representative of the Secretary-General for the Integrated Office in Sierra Leone; Mr. Matthew Carlson, Regional Director for West Africa, World Bank; and Mr. Abdoulaye Bio-Tchané, Director, African Department International Monetary Fund.

An interactive discussion ensued, in which the participants of the following countries spoke: United Kingdom, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Belgium, Belgium, Croatia, Egypt, Jamaica, India, Indonesia, Ghana, Germany and France, as well as the representatives of the European Community and the African Development Bank, and a member of a civil society group in Sierra Leone.

Organizational matters

The Chairman made a statement.

2nd meeting

The summary of the 2nd meeting of the Commission will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2006/199).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. Montego Bay, 10 December 1982

Ratification: Niue (11 October 2006)[1]

Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks. New York, 4 August 1995

Ratification: Niue (11 October 2006)[1]

Treaty event

Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network Jakarta, 12 April 2006

Opening for signature

The above Agreement was adopted by the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific at its sixty-second session by resolution number 62/4 on the Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network, held in Jakarta, Indonesia, on 12 April 2006.

It shall be open for signature by States, which are members of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, at Busan, Republic of Korea, on 10 and 11 November 2006, during the Ministerial Conference on Transport, and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters in New York from 16 November 2006 to 31 December 2008.

Certified true copies of the Agreement, of which the Chinese, English and Russian texts are equally authentic, will be prepared and will be transmitted to all States as soon as feasible.

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf of a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities. Full powers are distinct from credentials. Credentials alone are not adequate for the purpose of signing a treaty.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Agreement could notify and, as necessary, provide copies of the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters in New York (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org).

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *October 2006* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Gambia
H.E. Mr. Crispin Grey-Johnson

Asian States:
Japan
H.E. Mr. Kenzo Oshima

Eastern European States:
Bosnia and Herzegovina
H.E. Mr. Miloš Prica

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Ecuador
H.E. Mr. Diego Cordovez

Western European and other States:
Liechtenstein
H.E. Mr. Christian Wenaweser

Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on Thursday, 12 October 2006.

Symbol	*Main title*
General Assembly	**Official Records**
	Sixtieth session
A/60/PV.98	Meeting held on 7 September 2006, 3 p.m. [F]
	Fifth Committee
A/C.5/60/SR.48	Meeting held on 27 April 2006, 10 a.m. [A C E F R S]
General Assembly	**Documents**
	Sixty-first session
A/61/185	Item 108 (n) — Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations — Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/255/Add.1/Corr.1	Items 47, 113,116, 117, 122, 123, 132, 147 and 149 — Integrated and coordinated implementation and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields — Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit — Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations — Human resources management — Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations — Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara — United Nations reform: measures and proposals — Investing in people — Report of the Secretary-General — Reforming the Field Service category: investing in meeting the human resources requirements of United Nations peace operations in the twenty-first century [A C E F R S]
A/61/317	Item 111 of the provisional agenda — Multilingualism — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/338	Item 66 (b) of the provisional agenda — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — The right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/376	Item 64 (a) — Indigenous issues: indigenous issues — Status of the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations — Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [A C E F R S]

A/61/484 Items 117 and 125 — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — United Nations common system — Administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the reports of the International Civil Service Commission for 2005 and 2006 — Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S]

A/61/512 Item 122 — Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations — Report of the Fifth Committee [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.3 Item 104 — 5-Power draft resolution — Appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations [A C E F R S]

First Committee

A/C.1/61/L.12 Item 91 (a) — Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly — One-Power draft resolution — United Nations disarmament fellowship, training and advisory services [A C E F R S]

A/C.1/61/L.13 Item 90 (g) — General and complete disarmament — 7-Power draft resolution — Towards a nuclear-weapon-free world: accelerating the implementation of nuclear disarmament commitments [A C E F R S]

A/C.1/61/L.14 Item 91 (d) — Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly — One-Power draft resolution — United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean [A C E F R S]

A/C.1/61/L.15 Item 90 (y) — General and complete disarmament — 3-Power draft resolution — The illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects [A C E F R S]

Second Committee

A/C.2/61/L.2 Item 51 (d) — Macroeconomic policy questions: commodities — One-Power draft resolution — International Year of Natural Fibres [A C E F R S]

A/C.2/61/L.3 Item 51 (b) — Macroeconomic policy questions — One-Power draft resolution — International financial system and development [A C E F R S]

A/C.2/61/L.4 Item 69 (c) — Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance — One-Power draft resolution — Participation of volunteers, "White Helmets", in the activities of the United Nations in the field of humanitarian relief, rehabilitation and technical cooperation for development [A C E F R S]

Third Committee

A/C.3/61/L.8* Reissued for technical reasons [S (only)]

Sixth Committee

A/C.6/61/L.2 Item 153 — Requests for observer status in the General Assembly — 5-Power draft resolution — Observer status for the Indian Ocean Commission in the General Assembly [A C E F R S]

A/C.6/61/L.3	Item 153 — Requests for observer status in the General Assembly — 14-Power draft resolution — Observer status for the OPEC Fund for International Development in the General Assembly [A C E F R S]
A/C.6/61/L.4	Item 153 — Requests for observer status in the General Assembly — 11-Power draft resolution — Observer status for the Association of Southeast Asian Nations in the General Assembly [A C E F R S]

Security Council **Documents**

S/2006/551	Letter dated 20 July 2006 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2006/801	Letter dated 11 October 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

Secretariat

ST/IC/2006/42	Information circular — Composition of the Panel on Discrimination and Other Grievances at Headquarters [E F (only)]

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Security Council

12 noon	Consultations of the whole (closed) Non-proliferation/Democratic People's Republic of Korea Other matters	Consultations Room
Afternoon[1]	5551st meeting 1. Adoption of the agenda 2. Non-proliferation/Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Security Council Chamber

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the consultations of the whole.

Monday, 16 October 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

10 a.m.	32nd plenary meeting Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council	General Assembly Hall [103 (a)]

General Assembly
Sixty-first session

General Committee

The 3rd meeting of the General Committee will be held on Tuesday, 17 October 2006, at 3 p. m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (see p. 8).

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Main Committees

First Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 14th meeting Conference Room 4

Thematic discussion on item subjects, as well as introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items (items 82 to 97): *item 82* (A/61/133 and A/61/133/Add.1); *item 83* (A/61/183 and A/61/190); *item 84*; *item 85* (A/61/161); *item 86*; *item 87* (A/61/140 (Part I), A/61/140 (Part II) and A/C.1/61/L.1); *item 88*; *item 89* (A/C.1/61/L.10); *item 90* (A/61/98, A/61/112, A/61/113, A/61/114, A/61/116, A/61/118, A/61/118/Add.1, A/61/124, A/61/127, A/61/127/Add.1, A/61/159, A/61/159/Corr.1, A/61/159/Add.1, A/61/159/Add.1/Corr.1, A/61/164, A/61/168, A/C.1/61/5, A/C.1/61/L.3, A/C.1/61/L.4, A/C.1/61/L.5, A/C.1/61/L.6, A/C.1/61/L.7, A/C.1/61/L.8, A/C.1/61/L.13, A/C.1/61/L.15, A/61/169, A/61/169/Add.1, A/61/171, A/61/171/Add.1, A/61/261, A/61/288, A/61/293 and A/61/344-S/2006/741); *item 91* (A/61/130, A/61/130/Corr.1, A/61/137, A/61/157, A/61/163, A/61/215, A/61/365, A/C.1/61/L.9, A/C.1/61/L.12 and A/C.1/61/L.14); *item 92* (A/61/180, A/61/297 and A/C.1/61/L.11); *item 93* (A/61/160 (Part II), A/C.1/61/L.2 and A/61/140 (Part II)); *item 94*; *item 95* (A/61/123); *item 96* (A/61/134 and A/61/184); and *item 97*

[Other documents: A/C.1/61/1, A/C.1/61/2, A/C.1/61/4 and A/C.1/61/INF/1]

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

3–6 p.m. 10th meeting Conference Room 4

1. Election of Vice-Chairperson [5]
2. Question relating to information (A/61/21, A/61/21/Add.1 and A/61/216) [34]

Interactive dialogue

General debate

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 17th meeting Conference Room 1

Promotion and protection of the rights of children (A/61/303) [63]

(a) Promotion and protection of the rights of children (A/61/41, A/61/41/Corr.1, A/61/41/Add.1[1], A/61/207, A/61/275, A/61/275/Corr.1 and A/61/299)

(b) Follow-up to the special session on children (A/61/270)

Continuation and conclusion of general discussion

3–6 p.m. 18th meeting Conference Room 1

Indigenous issues (A/61/490) [64]

(a) Indigenous issues (A/61/376)

[1] To be issued.

(b) Second International Decade of the World's Indigenous People

Introductory statement by the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs followed by question time

Dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people

General discussion

[*Note*: The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items allocated to the Third Committee is open. Delegations are kindly requested to consult the draft programme of work of the Third Committee (A/C.3/61/L.1) prior to contacting the Secretariat with their request for inscription on the list (contact: Ms. Nancy Beteta (tel. 1 (212) 963-5722; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Delegations that have not submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are reminded to convey such information to the Secretary of the Third Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (room S-2950D; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).]

[*Note*: Delegations wishing to reserve rooms for informal consultations on Third Committee matters are requested to contact Ms. Danielle Maillard-Lejano (tel. 1 (917) 367-5865; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail maillard-lejano@un.org).]

Fifth Committee

10 a.m. 6th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 [117]

Construction of additional office facilities at the Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa (A/61/158 and A/61/362)

Construction of additional conference facilities at the Vienna International Centre (A/61/166 and A/61/361)

Contingent liability reserve for the United Nations Postal Administration (A/61/295 and A/61/480)

Identification of additional resources for the Development Account (A/61/282 and A/61/479)

Introduction and general discussion

Morning[1]–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 117 (Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 (A/61/158, A/61/362, A/61/166, A/61/361, A/61/295 and A/61/480))

3 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Informal briefing on governance and oversight review

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 6th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

Afternoon[1]**–6 p.m.**	**Informal consultations (closed)**	**Conference Room 5**

Informal consultations on agenda item 127 (Report on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/61/214 (Part 1), A/61/214 (Part 1)/Add.1, A/61/214 (Part 1)/Add.2, A/61/61 and A/61/61/Add.1))

[1] To be held following the informal briefing on governance and oversight review.

Sixth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	5th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Measures to eliminate international terrorism (A/61/37, A/61/210, A/61/210/Add.1, A/61/178 and A/61/280) [100]

Requests for observer status in the General Assembly (A/61/232) [153]

Observer status for the Indian Ocean Commission in the General Assembly (A/61/487 and A/C.6/61/L.2)

Observer status for the OPEC Fund for International Development in the General Assembly (A/61/141 and A/C.6/61/L.3)

Observer status for the Association of Southeast Asian Nations in the General Assembly (A/61/510 and A/C.6/61/L.4)

Administration of justice at the United Nations (A/61/205 and A/61/205/Corr.1) [128]

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization (A/61/33, A/61/304 and A/61/153**) [79]

3–6 p.m.	6th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

The rule of law at the national and international levels (A/61/142) [80]

[*Note*: The list of speakers for agenda items: 128 (Administration of Justice at the United Nations); 153 (Requests for Observer Status in the General Assembly); 79 (Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization) and 80 (The rule of law at the national and international levels) is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Marissa Amores (tel. 1 (212) 963-5332); fax 1(212) 963-1963). Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs, secretariat of the Sixth Committee (room S-3460; fax 1 (212) 963-1963).]

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10

1. Governance
2. Human resources management
3. Draft report

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Informal "informal" consultations

There will be informal "informal" consultations on the draft resolution on the follow-up to the World Summit Outcome on strengthening of the Economic and Social Council, convened by Mr. Carlos G. Ruiz Massieu Aguirre (Mexico), on *Monday, 16 October 2006*, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Selwin Hart (Barbados), under agenda item 52 (Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development)

From 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Ms. Katarzyna Kukier (Poland), under agenda item 51 (b) (International Financial System and Development)

From 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Ms. Sigrid Anna Oddsen (Norway), under agenda item 51 (d) (Commodities)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal consultations convened by delegations

Monday, 16 October 2006

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on international cooperation against the drug problem, under agenda item 99 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room B

Informal "informal" consultations on the draft resolution on cooperation between the United Nations and Economic Cooperation Organization, under agenda item 108 (i) (convened by the delegation of Azerbaijan)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the effects of atomic radiation, under agenda item 29 (Fourth Committee) (convened by the delegation of Australia)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the implementation of human rights instruments (torture), under agenda item 67 (a) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Denmark)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on strengthening the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme, in particular its technical cooperation capacity, under agenda item 98 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Italy)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the in-depth study on violence against women, under agenda item 61 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegations of France and the Netherlands)

3–5 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the situation in Afghanistan, under agenda item 16 (convened by the delegation of Germany)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Other meetings

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Monday, 16 October 2006

2006 United Nations Disarmament Fellowship Programme

9 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

2–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on international trade and development)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on international migration and development)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Other activities

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Monday, 16 October 2006

Fifth seminar in the "Unlearning intolerance" Seminar Series of the Department of Public Information, entitled "Cartooning for peace: The responsibility of political cartoonists?"

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Rene Tanoy (tel. 1 (917) 367-9326; or e-mail tanoy@un.org).]

Dialogue on "Towards implementing the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples" (co-sponsored by the Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division for Social Policy and Development, DESA, the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please consult the following Web site: <www.un.org/esa/socdev/unpfii>.]

Panel discussion on "An emerging form of exploitation of women: Harvesting and trafficking of human eggs" (sponsored by the United States Mission)

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Peggy Kerry, United States Mission (tel. 1 (212) 415-4054; e-mail kerryp@state.gov).]

Panel discussion on "Kids, guns and gangs" (organized by the Permanent Missions of Canada and Slovenia)

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

[All are invited to attend.]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>

Monday, 16 October 2006

Room S-226

12 noon — Press briefing by the Spokesman

12.30 p.m. — Mr. Shashi Tharoor, Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information, Mr. Jean Plantu, French cartoonist, Ms. Holli Semetko, Director, The Claus M. Halle Institute for Global Learning, Emory University, and Mr. Godfrey Amon Mwampembwa [Gado], Kenyan cartoonist (on the Fifth Seminar in the "Unlearning intolerance" Seminar Series of the Department of Public Information, entitled "Cartooning for peace: The responsibility of political cartoonists?")

1.30 p.m. — Mr. Georg Kell, Executive Director, United Nations Global Compact Office (on the *World Investment Report 2006*)

Forthcoming official meetings

Tuesday, 17 October 2006

General Assembly
Sixty-first session

General Committee

3 p.m. — 3rd meeting — Economic and Social Council Chamber

Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items [7]

(a) Request for the inclusion of an additional item submitted by Saint Lucia (A/61/233)

(b) Request for the inclusion of an additional item: note by the Secretary-General (A/61/234)

Main Committees

Second Committee
Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Marcelo Suárez Salvia (Argentina), under agenda item 51 (c) (External debt crisis and development)

Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6, and

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Selwin Hart (Barbados), under agenda item 52 (Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development)

Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Ms. Katarzyna Kukier (Poland), under agenda item 51 (b) (International Financial System and Development)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Facilitator, Ms. Sigrid Anna Oddsen (Norway), under agenda item 51 (d) (Commodities)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room D; and

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Ms. Usniyya Mammadova (Azerbaijan), under agenda item 55 (e) (Integration of countries with economies in transition into the world economy)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), under agenda item 51 (d) (Commodities — International Year of Natural Fibres)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 5 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), informal presentation of the draft resolution on trade, under agenda item 51 (a) (International trade and development)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 10 to 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Jimmy O. Blas (Philippines), under agenda item 69 (b) (Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D; and

Friday, 27 October 2006, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6

Interactive dialogue

There will be an interactive dialogue between the Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions and the Second Committee on Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The meeting will be chaired by H.E. Mrs. Tiina Intelmann (Estonia), Chairperson of the Committee. The presentations will be on the following sub-themes, followed by an exchange of views:

Innovation and the competitiveness of the transition economies: Mr. Marek Belka, Executive Secretary, ECE;

ICT: Empowering women through e-Business – ESCAP case study: Mr. Kim Hak-Su, Executive Secretary, ESCAP;

Promoting an enabling environment to foster knowledge and innovation for development: Ms. Mervat Tallawy, Executive Secretary, ESCWA;

Nuturing alliances for regional and interregional cooperation in science and technology: Mr. Abdoulie Janneh, Executive Secretary, ECA; and

Infrastructure, institutions and human resources development for promoting knowledge, Technology and Innovation: Mr. José Luis Machinea, Executive Secretary, ECLAC.

Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Panel discussion

There will be a panel discussion on the theme "Social policy in an era of globalization" on Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Panellists will include Prof. Laura Tyson, Dean, London Business School; Prof. Kaushik Basu, C. Marks Professor of International Studies and Professor of Economics, Cornell University; and Dr. Michal Rutkowski, Director, Human Development Department, Middle East and North African Region, World Bank.

The event, organized by the Office of ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will be presided over by H.E. Mrs. Tiina Intelmann (Estonia), Chairperson of the Second Committee, and moderated by Mr. Jomo Kwame Sundaram, Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development, UN-DESA.

Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all items allocated to the Second Committee is open for inscription. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Dolores Lois (tel. 1 (212) 963-2184; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Vivian Pliner, Acting Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950E; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Delegations wishing to reserve rooms for informal consultations on Second Committee matters are requested to contact Ms. Danielle Maillard-Lejano (tel. 1 (917) 367-5865; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail maillard-lejano@un.org)).

Third Committee

Listed below is the tentative schedule for introductory statements by Special Rapporteurs, Special Representatives, Independent Experts and other special mechanisms who will be presenting reports to the Third Committee:

Thursday, 19 October 2006 (agenda item 67):

10 a.m.

Mr. Paul Hunt (Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health); Mr. Ibrahim Salam (Chairperson-Rapporteur, Working Group on the right to development, Commission on Human Rights) – Oral report; Mr. Jorge A. Bustamante (Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants)

3 p.m.

Mr. John Dugard (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967)

Friday, 20 October 2006 (agenda item 67):

10 a.m.

Mr. Paolo Sérgio Pinheiro (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar); Mr. Vitit Muntarbhorn (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea); Ms. Sima Samar (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan)

3 p.m.

Mr. Titinga Frédéric Pacéré (Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo); Mr. Akich Okola (Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Burundi)

Monday, 23 October 2006 (agenda item 67):

10 a.m.

Mr. Philip Alston (Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions); Ms. Hina Jilani (Special Representative of the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights defenders); Mr. Manfred Nowak (Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment)

3 p.m.

Mr. Walter Kälin (Representative of the Secretary-General on the human rights of internally displaced persons); Ms. Asma Jahangir (Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief); Mr. Leandro Despouy (Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges and lawyers)

Wednesday, 25 October 2006 (agenda item 67):

10 a.m.

Mr. Martin Scheinin (Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism); Ms. Yakin Ertürk (Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences) – Oral report; Mr. Bernards Andrew Nyamwaya Mudho (Independent Expert on the effects of economic reform policies and foreign debt on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights)

3 p.m.

Mr. Jean Ziegler (Special Rapporteur on the right to food)

Monday, 6 November (agenda items 65 and 66):

10 a.m.

Mr. Doudou Diène (Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance); Ms. Amada Benavidez de Pérez (Chairperson of the Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination)

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 7th meeting on Tuesday, 17 October 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 7th meeting and at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
Informal briefing

The Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund will hold an informal briefing on "Ending child hunger and undernutrition initiative", which is on the agenda of the 2007 first regular session of the Board. The briefing will take place on Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters

Second session

The second session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters will take place from Monday, 30 October, to Friday, 3 November 2006, in Conference Room XX, at the Palais des Nations, Geneva.

Delegations are kindly requested to submit the names of observers to the Financing for Development Office, DESA (fax 1 (212) 963-0443; e-mail ffdoffice@un.org). For further information, please contact Mr. Masa Ohyama, Financing for Development Office (tel. 1 (212) 963-4695; e-mail ohyama@un.org).

Forthcoming informal consultations convened by delegations

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on improving coordination of efforts against slavery and trafficking in persons, under agenda item 98 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Belarus)

Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C; and

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the effects of atomic radiation, under agenda item 29 (Fourth Committee) (convened by the delegation of Australia)

Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 60 (a) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of South Africa, on behalf of the Group of 77)

Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C; and

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the prohibition of the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices, under agenda item 90 (First Committee) (convened by the delegation of Canada)

Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the in-depth study on violence against women, under agenda item 61 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegations of France and the Netherlands)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in Central Asia, under agenda item 90 (bb) (First Committee) (convened by the delegations of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on trafficking in women and girls, under agenda item 61 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of the Philippines)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the situation in Afghanistan, under agenda item 16 (convened by the delegation of Germany)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber;

Wednesday, 25 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Tuesday, 31 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Arab Group (First Committee experts)

Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Friends of the International Criminal Court: Briefing by the Chief Prosecutor of the Court

Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in the Penthouse of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library.

Briefing by the President of the International Court of Justice to Member States of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room D.

UNITAR French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

Wednesday, 25 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9;

Thursday, 26 October 2006, from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9; and

Friday, 27 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

[For more information, please contact Ms. Laura Fahndrich (tel. 1 (212) 963-9196; e-mail fachndrich@un.org).]

Asian Group (monthly meeting)

Friday, 27 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

UNITAR briefing on "Operationalizing the Peacebuilding Commission"

Thursday, 2 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Sarah Rosengärtner (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021; rosengaertner@un.org).].

UNITAR/OLA Seminars on Deposit of Treaty Actions with the Secretary-General and the Registration of Treaties

French Seminar

Tuesday, 7 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5.45 p.m. in Conference Room E; and

English Seminar

Wednesday, 8 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and *Thursday, 9 November 2006*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Catharina Goldschmidt (tel. 1 (212) 963-9684; e-mail goldschmidt@un.org).]

Other forthcoming activities

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Launching of the report "Mairin Iwanka Raya, Indigenous Women Stand against Violence" (co-sponsored by the Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division for Social Policy and Development, DESA, the International Indigenous Women's Forum (IIWF/FIMI) and MADRE, an international women's human rights organization)

Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please consult the following Web site: <www.un.org/esa/socdev/unpfii>.]

Observance of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty (organized by by the Department of Economic Affairs and the International Movement ATD Fourth World)

Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in the United Nations Garden.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, contact Mr. Donald Lee (tel. 1 (212) 963-8762; e-mail lee27@un.org.); or visit the following Web site: <www.un.org/esa/socdev/poverty/poverty_link3.htm>.]

Panel discussion on "Developing human rights-based societies to overcome poverty" (sponsored by the NGO Committee on Human Rights, in cooperation with the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights)

Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Sharon Brandstein, OHCHR (tel. 1 (212) 963-7021).]

Conference on "Sustainable urban design" (organized by the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), in cooperation with the Institute for Urban Design, Toyo University, the Building Social Housing Foundation and the Rockefeller Foundation)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 4.45 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend.]

Informal presentation and discussion on "Linking development and small arms: Policy development, field programming and research" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Switzerland and the Quaker United Nations Office)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room A.

[All are invited to attend.]

Special ceremony in observance of World Food Day 2006 on the theme "Investing in agriculture for food security" (organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend.]

Enforced disappearance — Information meeting on the draft international convention for the protection of al persons from enforced disappearance (organized by the Permanent Mission of France)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[The draft international convention will be presented to the General Assembly for approval at its sixty-first session. For further information, please contact Mr. Françoi Vandeville (tel. 1 (212) 702-4963; e-mail francois.vandeville @diplomatie.gouv.fr); press contact: Mr. Axel Cruau (tel. 1 (212) 702-4943; e-mail axel.cruau@diplomatie.gouv.fr).]

Announcements

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered. The second round of language-specific informational meetings for this year will be held in October and November, accordin to the following schedule:

Monday, 30 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Arabic*
Tuesday, 31 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Chinese*
Wednesday, 1 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *English*
Thursday, 2 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *French*
Friday, 3 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Russian*
Friday, 3 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Spanish*

All meetings will take place in Conference Room 8.

Security Council **Daily informal briefings**

As from Wednesday, 4 October 2006, and for the rest of the month, the presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

UNITAR Fellowship Programme at Columbia University Law School and UNITAR Visitors Programme at New York University School of Law, for diplomats accredited o the United Nations

The deadline for registration is Monday, 23 October 2006. For further information, please contact the UNITAR office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 or 963-9196; e-mail goldschmidt@un.org; or info@unitarny.org).

Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 12 October 2006

Peacebuilding Commission

Second session

Sierra Leone configuration

2nd meeting *Peacebuilding in Sierra Leone* [2]

The Commission continued its consideration of the item and heard presentations on the topic of "National action – International support" by the following lead speakers: H.E.

Mr. Momodu Koroma, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Sierra Leone; Mr. Victor A Executive Representative of the Secretary-General for the Integrated Office in Si Leone; Ambassador Fernando Valenzuela, Head of Delegation, European Commis and Ms. Alice Mungwa, Senior Political Affairs Adviser, African Union.

An interactive discussion ensued, in which the following participants spoke: Japa Norway, Netherlands, Guinea-Bissau, United States, El Salvador, Brazil, Sweden Sri Lanka, Ireland, Guinea, Denmark, China, Nigeria, Egypt, Chile, United Repu Tanzania, Pakistan and Sierra Leone, as well as the African Development Bank.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Commission decided to advise the Secretary General that Sierra Leone should be considered eligible for funding from the Peacebuilding Fund.

The Chairman introduced his draft summary of the interactive discussions held at first and second meetings of the Sierra Leone-specific configuration. The draft su was then approved by the Commission.

Friday, 13 October 2006

Security Council

5549th meeting

The situation in Georgia

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Abkhazia, Georgia (S/2006/7

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Geo and Germany, at their request, to participate in the consideration of the item with right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 3 the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in docume S/2006/804, submitted by France, Germany, Russian Federation, Slovakia and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2006/804) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2006/804) received 15 votes in favour, none ag and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1716 (2006).

5550th meeting

International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Comm in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 Jan and 31 December 1994

Letter dated 2 October 2006 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2006/799)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in docume S/2006/803, prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2006/803) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2006/803) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1717 (2006).

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

30th plenary meeting

2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa [48]: *note by the Secretary-General (A/61/218 and Corr.1); New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support; causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa* [62 (a) and (b)]: *reports of the Secretary-General (A/61/212 and A/61/213); note by the Secretary-General (A/61/69 and Add.1): joint debate*

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 62 and its sub-items (a) and (b) and agenda item 48.

Statements were made by the representativesP of Thailand, China, Benin, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, the Congo, the United States, Israel and Angola.

The observer of the Observer State of the Holy See made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 49/2 of 19 October 1994, the observer for the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies made a statement.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda items 62 and its sub-items (a) and (b), as well as agenda item 48.

31st plenary meeting

Appointment of the Secretary-General of the United Nations . . . . . [104]

(a) Letter from the President of the Security Council to the President of the General Assembly (A/61/501)

(b) Draft resolution (A/61/L.3)

The President of the Security Council made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted, by acclamation, draft resolution A/61/L.3 (resolution 61/3).

Following the adoption of resolution 61/3, the President announced that H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon had been appointed Secretary-General of the United Nations for a term of office beginning on 1 January 2007 and ending on 31 December 2011.

The President made a statement.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

The General Assembly heard statements by the representatives of the Gambia (on behalf of the African States), Japan (on behalf of the Asian States), Bosnia and Herzegovina (on behalf of the Eastern European States), Ecuador (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean States), Liechtenstein (on behalf of the Western European and other States), the United States (as host country), South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Finland (on behalf of the European Union).

The Secretary-General-designate made a statement.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda ite 104.

Main Committees

First Committee

13th meeting

Thematic discussion on item subjects, as well as the introduction and considerati all draft resolutions submitted under all disarmament and international security a items (82 to 97)

The Committee continued its second stage of work, namely the "Thematic discuss item subjects, as well as the introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under items 82 to 97."

The President-designate of the CCW Review Conference made a statement.

Statements were also made by the representatives of Costa Rica (on behalf of Cen American Integration System (SICA)), Kenya, Japan, Switzerland, Norway, Israel, Republic of Moldova and Indonesia.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

9th meeting

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

Action on draft resolution

Question of Western Sahara

The representative of Algeria introduced draft resolution A/C.4/61/L.5.

Statements in explanation of their position before a decision were made by the representatives of Morocco, Peru, Chile, Senegal, Finland (on behalf of the Europ Union) and Guinea.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/61/L.5 by a recorded vote of 76 to with 72 abstentions.

Statements in explanation of vote after vote were made by the representatives of t United Kingdom, Brazil, Philippines, Guatemala, Myanmar, the Russian Federatio Japan, Portugal, Sweden, Italy, the Czech Republic, Greece, Malaysia, Belgium, Ireland, Egypt, Ukraine, Croatia, Slovakia, Thailand, New Zealand, Denmark, Cameroon, Canada, Norway (also on behalf of Iceland), Poland, Indonesia, Spain, Slovenia, Netherlands, Paraguay and Hungary.

The representatives of Algeria and Morocco made statements.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 39.

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space

General debate

The Committee concluded its general debate with statements from the representatives of Pakistan, Thailand (on behalf of ASEAN), Japan, the Sudan, the Republic of Korea, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and Jamaica.

Statements were also made by the representatives of Chile and Egypt.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Third Committee

15th meeting

The Chairman informed the Committee that Mr. Lamin Faati (Gambia), Vice-Chairperson, had been designated as facilitator for negotiations on Programme planning (item 118), and Mr. Jorge Ballestero (Costa Rica), as facilitator for negotiations on the draft proposal on the Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly (item 61).

The Secretary made a statement.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [63]

(a) Promotion and protection of the rights of children

(b) Follow-up to the special session on children

The Committee continued its consideration of the agenda item 63.

The Committee heard an oral report by the Chairperson of the Committee on the Rights of the Child, who replied to questions raised by the representative of Finland (on behalf of the European Union).

The Committee then continued its general discussion of the item and heard statements by the representatives of the Republic of Moldova, Guyana (on behalf of the Rio Group), Colombia, the Republic of Korea, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Uruguay, Iceland, San Marino, the Russian Federation, Singapore, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Côte d'Ivoire, Saudi Arabia, Ukraine, Myanmar and Lebanon.

Organization of work

The Secretary made a statement.

16th meeting

Social development: United Nations Literacy Decade: education for all [60 (c)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.4

The representative of Mongolia introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of Brazil, Côte d'Ivoire, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Kazakhstan, Madagascar, Mexico, Morocco, Myanmar, Panama, the Russian Federation and Senegal, and orally revised the text.

Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Yemen, Israel, Liberia and Thailand joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [63]

(a) Promotion and protection of the rights of children

(b) Follow-up to the special session on children

The Committee continued its general discussion of the item and heard statements b representatives of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Mongolia, Azerbaijan, Ga Senegal, Monaco, Kuwait, Qatar, Algeria, the United Republic of Tanzania, Oman, Yemen, the United Arab Emirates, Armenia, New Zealand (on behalf of CANZ), Liechtenstein, Malawi, the Syrian Arab Republic, Cuba, Sierra Leone, Thailand, Kazakhstan and Zambia.

Organization of work

The Chairman informed delegations that the Committee would conclude the genera discussion of agenda item 63, on Monday, 16 October.

Sixth Committee

4th meeting

Measures to eliminate international terrorism

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 100.

Statements were made by the representatives of Myanmar, Turkey, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Thailand, Nigeria, Togo, San Marino, Afghanistan, Jamaica, Norway, Ukr (on behalf of GUAM), Mozambique, Mongolia, Lebanon, Mali, Armenia and Uga

Peacebuilding Commission

Second session

Burundi configuration

1st meeting

The Chairman, H.E. Mr. Johan L. Løvald (Norway), opened the first meeting of th Burundi-specific configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

The Commission adopted its provisional agenda for the Burundi configuration, as contained in document PBC/2/BUR/1.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Commission agreed that its meetings under Burundi-specific configuration would be open meetings.

The Commission also requested the Chairman to summarize the discussions held its first two meetings.

Peacebuilding in Burundi

The Commission began its consideration of the item and heard presentations on th topic of "Consolidating peace – Critical issues" by the following lead speakers: H Mr. Nduwimana Martin, First Vice-President of Burundi; H.E. Ms. Antoinette Batumubwira, Minister of External Relations and International Cooperation of Bu Mr. Nureldin Satti, Acting Special Representative of the Secretary-General in Bur Mr. Pedro Alba, Country Director for Burundi, World Bank; Mr. Norbert Toé, Dep Division Chief, African Department, International Monetary Fund.

An interactive discussion ensued, in which the following participants spoke: South Africa, United Republic of Tanzania, Netherlands, Denmark, Belgium, China, European Community, Bangladesh, Germany, Japan, Nigeria and Guinea-Bissau, as well as the representative of the Inter-Parliamentary Union and a representative of civil society groups in Burundi.

2nd meeting — *Peacebuilding in Burundi* [2]

The Commission continued its consideration of the item and heard presentations on the topic of "National action – International support" by the following lead speakers: H.E. Ms. Antoinette Batumubwira, Minister of External Relations and International Cooperation of Burundi; Mr. Nureldin Satti, Acting Special Representative of the Secretary-General in Burundi; Ambassador Fernando Valenzuela, Head of Delegation, European Commission; and Ms. Alice Mungwa, Senior Political Affairs Adviser, African Union.

An interactive discussion ensued, in which the following participants spoke: Rwanda, El Salvador, Egypt, India, Ghana, Canada, United States, Indonesia, Croatia, Sri Lanka, United Kingdom, Burundi, Angola, France, Pakistan and Brazil, as well as the World Bank and the International Organization of la Francophonie.

The Acting Special Representative of the Secretary-General in Burundi also spoke.

Concluding remarks were made by the Minister of External Relations and International Cooperation of Burundi and by the First Vice-President of Burundi.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Commission decided to advise the Secretary-General that Burundi should be considered eligible for funding from the Peacebuilding Fund.

The Chairman introduced his draft summary of the interactive discussions held at the first and second meetings of the Burundi-specific configuration.

The draft summary was then approved by the Commission.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR). Geneva, 30 September 1957

Accession: Ireland (12 October 2006)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Protocol amending article 1 (a), article 14 (1) and article 14 (3) (b) of the Eur Agreement of 30 September 1957 concerning the International Carriage of Da Goods by Road (ADR). Geneva, 28 October 1993

Accession: Ireland (12 October 2006)[1]

International Convention on the Harmonization of Frontier Controls of Goods, 21 October 1982

Communication: Turkey (12 October 2006)[1]

United Nations Convention on Jurisdictional Immunities of States and Their Pr New York, 2 December 2004

Signature: Czech Republic (13 October 2006)

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Assoc Personnel. New York, 8 December 2005

Signature: Slovenia (13 October 2006)

Treaty event

Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network Jakarta, 12 April 2006

Opening for signature

The above Agreement was adopted by the Economic and Social Commission fo and the Pacific at its sixty-second session by resolution number 62/4 on the Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network, held in Jak Indonesia, on 12 April 2006.

It shall be open for signature by States, which are members of the United Natio Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, at Busan, Republic Korea, on 10 and 11 November 2006, during the Ministerial Conference on Tra and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters in New York from 16 November 31 December 2008.

Certified true copies of the Agreement, of which the Chinese, English and Russ are equally authentic, will be prepared and will be transmitted to all States as so feasible.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under the establishe international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers f Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on b a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representativ wishing to sign a treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative iss signed by one of these authorities. Full powers are distinct from credentials. Cr alone are not adequate for the purpose of signing a treaty.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Agreemen notify and, as necessary, provide copies of the required full powers in advance t Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters in New (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org).

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *October 2006* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Gambia
H.E. Mr. Crispin Grey-Johnson

Asian States:
Japan
H.E. Mr. Kenzo Oshima

Eastern European States:
Bosnia and Herzegovina
H.E. Mr. Miloš Prica

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Ecuador
H.E. Mr. Diego Cordovez

Western European and other States:
Liechtenstein
H.E. Mr. Christian Wenaweser

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A/60/980	Item 32 — Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects — Ensuring the accountability of United Nations staff and experts on mission with respect to criminal acts committed in peacekeeping operations — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
	Sixty-first session
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A/61/301	Item 40 of the provisional agenda — Report of [illegible] for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees [illegible] and humanitarian questions — Assistance to refugees, returnees [illegible] displaced persons in Africa — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/305	Item 56 (b) of the provisional agenda — Eradicat[illegible] issues: industrial development cooperation — [illegible] R S]
A/61/352	Item 67 (b) — Promotion and protection of human [illegible] including alternative approaches to improving [illegible] and fundamental freedoms — Subregional Centre [illegible] Central Africa — Report of the Secretary-General [illegible]
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A/61/490	Item 64 (a) — Indigenous issues — The situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/508	Item 8 — General debate — Letter dated 6 October 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Albania to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]
A/61/510	Item 153 — Requests for observer status in the General Assembly — Letter dated 9 October 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the Philippines to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

Second Committee

A/C.2/61/L.5	Item 52 — Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development — One-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]
A/C.2/61/L.7	Item 51 (d) — Macroeconomic policy questions: commodities — One-Power draft resolution — [A C E F R S]

Third Committee

A/C.3/61/L.10	Item 61 (a) — Advancement of women — 2-Power draft resolution — Intensification of efforts to eliminate all forms of violence against women [A C E F R S]

Security Council **Documents**

A/61/355-S/2006/748	Question of Palestine Peaceful settlement of the question of Palestine — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

Economic and Social Council

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International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination

Official Records

Meeting of the States Parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination Twentieth meeting

CERD/SP/66/SR.29	Meeting held on 14 January 2004, 10 a.m. [A C E F R S]

Communications to the Editor

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Security Council

5551st meeting

Non-proliferation/Democratic People's Republic of Korea

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Republic of Korea, at their request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2006/805, prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2006/805) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2006/805) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1718 (2006).

After the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, France, China, the United Kingdom, the Russian Federation, Argentina and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Japan.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Republic of Korea.

The representatives of the United States and the Russian Federation made further statements.

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Security Council

10 a.m.	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room
	Democratic Republic of the Congo	
	Other matters	

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

10 a.m.	34th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall
	Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council	[103 (a)]

General Assembly
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General Committee

The 3rd meeting of the General Committee, which was scheduled for *today*, 17 October 2006, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, has been *postponed* to a later date to be announced.

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Main Committees

First Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 15th meeting Conference Room 4

Thematic discussion on item subjects, as well as introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items (items 82 to 97): *item 82* (A/61/133 and A/61/133/Add.1); *item 83* (A/61/183 and A/61/190); *item 84*; *item 85* (A/61/161); *item 86* (A/C.1/61/L.50); *item 87* (A/61/140 (Part I), A/61/140 (Part II) and A/C.1/61/L.1); *item 88*; *item 89* (A/C.1/61/L.10); *item 90* (A/61/98, A/61/112, A/61/113, A/61/114, A/61/116, A/61/118, A/61/118/Add.1, A/61/124, A/61/127, A/61/127/Add.1, A/61/159, A/61/159/Corr.1, A/61/159/Add.1, A/61/159/Add.1/Corr.1, A/61/164, A/61/168, A/C.1/61/5, A/C.1/61/L.3, A/C.1/61/L.4, A/C.1/61/L.5, A/C.1/61/L.6, A/C.1/61/L.7, A/C.1/61/L.8, A/C.1/61/L.13, A/C.1/61/L.15, A/C.1/61/L.16, A/C.1/61/L.17, A/C.1/61/L.23, A/C.1/61/L.32, A/C.1/61/L.34, A/C.1/61/L.38, A/C.1/61/L.39, A/C.1/61/L.40, A/C.1/61/L.41, A/C.1/61/L.42, A/C.1/61/L.43, A/C.1/61/L.44, A/61/169, A/61/169/Add.1, A/61/171, A/61/171/Add.1, A/61/261, A/61/288, A/61/293 and A/61/344-S/2006/741); *item 91* (A/61/130, A/61/130/Corr.1, A/61/137, A/61/157, A/61/163, A/61/215, A/61/365, A/C.1/61/L.9, A/C.1/61/L.12, A/C.1/61/L.14, A/C.1/61/L.28 and A/C.1/61/L.31); *item 92* (A/61/180, A/61/297 and A/C.1/61/L.11); *item 93* (A/61/160 (Part II), A/C.1/61/L.2 and A/61/140 (Part II)); *item 94*; *item 95* (A/61/123 and A/C.1/61/L.34); *item 96* (A/61/134 and A/61/184); and *item 97*

[Other documents: A/C.1/61/L, A/C.1/61/2, A/C.1/61/4 and A/C.1/61/INF/1]

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

3–6 p.m. 11th meeting Conference Room 4

Questions relating to information (A/61/21, A/61/21/Add.1 and A/61/216) [34]

General debate

Second Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 13th meeting Conference Room 2

1. Macroeconomic policy questions [51]

(c) External debt crisis and development

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.6

(d) Commodities

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.7

2. Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development [52]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.5

3. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance [69]

(b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions

Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.8 and A/C.2/61/L.9*

4. Macroeconomic policy questions [51]

(a) International trade and development (A/61/272 and A/61/15 (Parts I-IV))

Introduction and general discussion

3-6 p.m. 14th meeting Conference Room 2

Macroeconomic policy questions [51]

(a) International trade and development (A/61/272 and A/61/15 (Parts I-IV))

Continuation of general discussion

[*Note*: The list of speakers for all items allocated to the Second Committee is open for inscription. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Dolores Lois (tel. 1 (212) 963-2184, fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Vivian Pliner, Acting Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950E, fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Delegations wishing to reserve rooms for informal consultations on Second Committee matters are requested to contact Ms. Danielle Maillard-Lejano (tel. 1 (917) 367-5865, fax 1 (212) 963-5935, e-mail maillard-lejano@un.org).]

Third Committee

10 a.m.-1 p.m. 19th meeting Conference Room 1

Indigenous issues (A/61/490) [64]

(a) Indigenous issues (A/61/376)

(b) Second International Decade of the World's Indigenous People

Continuation and conclusion of general discussion

3-6 p.m. 20th meeting Conference Room 1

1. Advancement of women [61 (a)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.10

2. Promotion and protection of the rights of children [63 (a)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.12

3. Human rights questions (A/61/36, A/61/97, A/61/220 and A/61/280) [67]

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments (A/61/40 (Vol. I)[1], A/61/40 (Vol. II)[1], A/61/44[1], A/61/48, A/61/226, A/61/259, A/61/279, A/61/354, A/61/385 and A/61/351[1])

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

Introductory statements followed by question time

General discussion

[1] To be issued.

[*Note*: The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items allocated to the Third Committee is open. Delegations are kindly requested to consult the draft programme of work of the Third Committee (A/C.3/61/L.2) prior to contacting the Secretariat with their request for inscription on the list (contact: Ms. Nancy Beteta (tel. 1 (212) 963-5722, fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Delegations that have not submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are reminded to convey such information to the Secretary of the Third Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (room S-2950D, fax 1 (212) 963-5935).]

[*Note*: Delegations wishing to reserve rooms for informal consultations on Third Committee matters are requested to contact Ms. Danielle Maillard-Lejano (tel. 1 (917) 367-5865, fax 1 (212) 963-5935, e-mail: maillard-lejano@un.org).]

Fifth Committee

10 a.m. — 7th meeting — Conference Room 3

1. Pattern of conferences (A/61/32, A/61/129, A/61/129/Add.1, A/61/300 and A/61/499) [121]

   Introduction and general discussion

2. Programme planning (A/61/16, A/61/6 (Part one), A/61/6 (Prog. 1), A/61/6 (Prog. 2), A/61/6 (Prog. 3), A/61/6 (Prog. 4), A/61/6 (Prog. 5), A/61/6 (Prog. 6), A/61/6 (Prog. 7), A/61/6 (Prog. 8), A/61/6 (Prog. 9), A/61/6 (Prog. 10), A/61/6 (Prog. 11), A/61/6 (Prog. 12), A/61/6 (Prog. 13), A/61/6 (Prog. 14) Rev.1, A/61/6 (Prog. 15), A/61/6 (Prog. 16), A/61/6 (Prog. 17), A/61/6 (Prog. 18), A/61/6 (Prog. 19), A/61/6 (Prog. 20), A/61/6 (Prog. 21), A/61/6 (Prog. 22), A/61/6 (Prog. 23), A/61/6 (Prog. 24), A/61/6 (Prog. 25), A/61/6 (Prog. 26), A/61/6 (Prog. 27), A/61/125, A/61/64, A/61/83 and A/61/83/Corr.1) [118]

   Introduction and general discussion

Morning[1] — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 133 (Financing of the United Nations Operation in Burundi (A/60/612, A/61/309 and A/61/485))

3-6 p.m. — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 121 (Pattern of conferences (A/61/32, A/61/129, A/61/129/Add.1, A/61/300 and A/61/499))

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 7th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

Sixth Committee

10 a.m.-1 p.m. — 7th meeting — Trusteeship Council Chamber

The rule of law at the national and international levels (A/61/142) [80]

Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives (A/61/119, A/61/119/Add.1 and A/61/119/Add.2) [76]

Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts (A/61/222 and A/61/222/Add.1) [75]

[*Note*: The list of speakers for agenda items: 128 (Administration of Justice at the United Nations); 153 (Requests for Observer Status in the General Assembly); 79 (Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization) and 80 (The rule of law at the national and international levels) is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Marissa Amores (tel. 1 (212) 963-5332); fax 1(212) 963-1963). Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs, secretariat of the Sixth Committee (room S-3460; fax 1 (212) 963-1963)).]

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

1. Human resources management
2. Executive session on the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund (UNJSPF)
3. Draft reports

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Marcelo Suárez Salvia (Argentina), under agenda item 51 (c) (External debt crisis and development)

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Francis Lorenzo (Dominican Republic), under agenda item 55 (b) (International migration and development)

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Facilitator, Mr. Selwin Hart (Barbados), under agenda item 52 (Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development)

From 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal consultations convened by delegations

Tuesday, 17 October 2006

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on improving coordination of efforts against slavery and trafficking in persons, under agenda item 98 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Belarus)

10 a.m.-1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on cooperation between the United Nations and the International Organization of la Francophonie, under agenda item 108 (j) (convened by the delegation of the International Organization of la Francophonie)

10 a.m.-1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the effects of atomic radiation, under agenda item 29 (Fourth Committee) (convened by the delegation of Australia)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 60 (a) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of South Africa, on behalf of the Group of 77)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the prohibition of the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices, under agenda item 90 (First Committee) (convened by the delegation of Canada)

3–4.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

Informal "informal" consultations on the draft resolution on cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization, under agenda item 108 (i) (convened by the delegation of Azerbaijan)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 17 October 2006

Mason Group (on First Committee matters)

9–9.45 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

2006 United Nations Disarmament Fellowship Programme

9 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

2–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

JUSCANZ Group (on Third Committee matters)

9.15–9.45 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on international trade and development)

9.15–11 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Group of 77 (on sustainable development; agenda items 53 (g) and 54)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

1.30–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council)

2–3 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on microcredit finance)

3–4 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on the eradication of poverty)

4–5 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Arab Group (First Committee experts)

12 noon–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Arab Group (Second Committee experts)

3–4.45 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Disarmament

12 noon–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

African Group (Third Committee experts)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Other activities

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Tuesday, 17 October 2006

Launching of the report "Mairin Iwanka Raya, Indigenous Women Stand against Violence" (co-sponsored by the Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division for Social Policy and Development, DESA, the International Indigenous Women's Forum (HWF/FIMI) and MADRE, an international women's human rights organization)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please consult the following Web site: <www.un.org/esa/socdev/unpfii>.]

Observance of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty (organized by by the Department of Economic Affairs and the International Movement ATD Fourth World)

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in the United Nations Garden.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, contact Mr. Donald Lee (tel. 1 (212) 963-8762, e-mail lee27@un.org.), or visit the following Web site: <www.un.org/esa/socdev/poverty/poverty_link3.htm>.]

Panel discussion on "Developing human rights-based societies to overcome poverty" (sponsored by the NGO Committee on Human Rights, in cooperation with the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Sharon Brandstein, OHCHR (tel. 1 (212) 963-7021).]

Friends of the International Criminal Court: Briefing by the Chief Prosecutor of the Court

From 3 to 5.30 p.m. in the Penthouse of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>

Tuesday, 17 October 2006

Room S-226

11 a.m. H.E. Ms. Haya Rashed Al-Khalifa (Bahrain), President of the sixty-first session of the General Assembly; Mr. Shashi Tharoor, Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information; and Mrs. Nan O'Brien, an Irish anti-poverty activist (to mark the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty)

12 noon Press briefing by the Spokesman

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Main Committees

First Committee

Informal consultations

The secretariat of the First Committee will hold informal consultations with interested delegations regarding the content of the Web site of the Committee, on Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 4 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Ms. Katarzyna Kukier (Poland), under agenda item 51 (b) (International Financial System and Development)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Facilitator, Ms. Husniyya Mammadova (Azerbaijan), under agenda item 55 (e) (Integration of countries with economies in transition into the world economy)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Ms. Sigrid Anna Oddsen (Norway), under agenda item 51 (d) (Commodities)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room D; and

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), under agenda item 51 (d) (Commodities — International Year of Natural Fibres)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 5 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), informal presentation of the draft resolution on trade, under agenda item 51 (a) (International trade and development)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 10 to 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Selwin Hart (Barbados), under agenda item 52 (Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Marcelo Suárez Salvia (Argentina), under agenda item 51 (c) (External debt crisis and development)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Jimmy O. Blas (Philippines), under agenda item 69 (b) (Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D; and

Friday, 27 October 2006, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Interactive dialogue

There will be an interactive dialogue between the Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions and the Second Committee on Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The meeting will be chaired by H.E. Mrs. Tiina Intelmann (Estonia), Chairperson of the Committee. The presentations will be on the following sub-themes, followed by an exchange of views:

Innovation and the competitiveness of the transition economies: Mr. Marek Belka, Executive Secretary, ECE;

ICT: Driving innovation in Asia-Pacific: Mr. Kim Hak-Su, Executive Secretary, ESCAP;

Promoting an enabling environment to foster knowledge and innovation for development: Ms. Mervat Tallawy, Executive Secretary, ESCWA;

Nurturing alliances for regional and interregional cooperation in science and technology: Mr. Abdoulie Janneh, Executive Secretary, ECA; and

Infrastructure, institutions and human resources development for promoting knowledge, technology and innovation: Mr. José Luis Machinea, Executive Secretary, ECLAC.

Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Panel discussion

There will be a panel discussion on the theme "Social policy in an era of globalization" on Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Panellists will include Prof. Laura Tyson, Dean, London Business School; Prof. Kaushik Basu, C. Marks Professor of International Studies and Professor of Economics, Cornell University; and Dr. Michal Rutkowski, Director, Human Development Department, Middle East and North African Region, World Bank.

The event, organized by the Office of ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will be presided over by H.E. Mrs. Tiina Intelmann (Estonia), Chairperson of the Second Committee, and moderated by Mr. Jomo Kwame Sundaram, Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development, UN-DESA.

Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Third Committee

Listed below is the tentative schedule for introductory statements by Special Rapporteurs, Special Representatives, Independent Experts and other special mechanisms who will be presenting reports to the Third Committee.

Thursday, 19 October 2006 (agenda item 67)

10 a.m.

Mr. Paul Hunt (Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health); Mr. Ibrahim Salama (Chairperson-Rapporteur, Working Group on the right to development, Commission on Human Rights) – Oral report; Mr. Jorge A. Bustamante (Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants)

3 p.m.

Mr. John Dugard (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967)

Friday, 20 October 2006 (agenda item 67)

10 a.m.

Mr. Paolo Sergio Pinheiro (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar); Mr. Vitit Muntarbhorn (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea); Ms. Sima Samar (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan)

3 p.m.

Mr. Titinga Frédéric Pacéré (Independent Expert on the situation of human righ in the Democratic Republic of the Congo); Mr. Akich Okola (Independent Exp on the situation of human rights in Burundi)

Monday, 23 October 2006 (agenda item 67)

10 a.m.

Mr. Philip Alston (Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions); Ms. Hina Jilani (Special Representative of the Secretary-General the situation of human rights defenders); Mr. Manfred Nowak (Special Rappor on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment)

3 p.m.

Mr. Walter Kälin (Representative of the Secretary-General on the human rights internally displaced persons); Ms. Asma Jahangir (Special Rapporteur on freed of religion or belief); Mr. Leandro Despouy (Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges and lawyers)

Wednesday, 25 October 2006 (agenda item 67)

10 a.m.

Mr. Martin Scheinin (Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism); Ms. Yakı Ertürk (Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences) – Oral report; Mr. Bernards Andrew Nyamwaya Mudho (Independent Expert on the effects of economic reform policies and foreign de on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights)

3 p.m.

Mr. Jean Ziegler (Special Rapporteur on the right to food)

Monday, 6 November (agenda items 65 and 66)

10 a.m.

Mr. Doudou Diene (Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, raci discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance); Ms. Amada Benavídez de Pérez (Chairperson of the Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a mean violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to sel determination)

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Wednesday, 18 October 2006, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
Informal briefing

The Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund will hold an informal briefing on "Ending child hunger and undernutrition initiative", which is on the agenda of the 2007 first regular session of the Board. The briefing will take place on Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters
Second session

The second session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters will take place from Monday, 30 October, to Friday, 3 November 2006, in Conference Room XX, at the Palais des Nations, Geneva.

Delegations are kindly requested to submit the names of observers to the Financing for Development Office, DESA (fax 1 (212) 963-0443; e-mail ffdoffice@un.org). For further information, please contact Mr. Masa Ohyama, Financing for Development Office (tel. 1 (212) 963-4695; e-mail ohyama@un.org).

Forthcoming informal consultations convened by delegations

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction, under agenda item 90 (x) (First Committee) (convened by the delegation of Australia)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 9 to 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the Comprehensive Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty, under agenda item 96 (First Committee) (convened by the delegation of Australia)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 9.30 to 10 a.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the in-depth study on violence against women, under agenda item 61 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegations of France and the Netherlands)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 60 (a) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of South Africa, on behalf of the Group of 77)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in Central Asia, under agenda item 90 (bb) (First Committee) (convened by the delegations of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on improving coordination of efforts against slavery and trafficking in persons, under agenda item 98 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Belarus)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on trafficking in women and girls, under agenda item 61 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of the Philippines)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C; and

Monday, 23 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C;

Thursday, 26 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C; and

Tuesday, 31 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions, under agenda item 67 (b) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Informal consultations of the subscribing States to the Hague Code of Conduct against Ballistic Missile Proliferation, under agenda item 90 (l) (First Committee) (convened by the delegation of Morocco)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the situation in Afghanistan, under agenda item 16 (convened by the delegation of Germany)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber;

Wednesday, 25 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Tuesday, 31 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Group of 77 (workshop on "Governance and oversight: towards a better understanding") (open to all interested Member States)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

African Group: Group of Experts on Economic Matters

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

African Group (Third Committee experts)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

OIC Group (at the ambassadorial level)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Briefing by the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Europe to update Member States of the Commission on the work of ECE in the context of the changing needs and development priorities in the region

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Meeting of Legal Advisers

Monday, 23 October 2006, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Wednesday, 25 October 2006, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

UNITAR French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

Wednesday, 25 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9;

Thursday, 26 October 2006, from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9; and

Friday, 27 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

[For more information, please contact Ms. Laura Fahndrich (tel. 1 (212) 963-9196; e-mail fachndrich@un.org).]

Asian Group (monthly meeting)

Friday, 27 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

UNITAR briefing on "Operationalizing the Peacebuilding Commission"

Thursday, 2 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 9

[For further information, please contact Ms. Sarah Rosengärtner (room DC1-603, tel. 1 (212) 963-3021, rosengaertner@un.org).]

UNITAR/OLA Seminars on Deposit of Treaty Actions with the Secretary-General and the Registration of Treaties

French Seminar:

Tuesday, 7 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5.45 p.m. in Conference Room E, and

English Seminar:

Wednesday, 8 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 1 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. and Thursday, 9 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Catherina Goldschmidt (tel. 1 (212) 963-9684, e-mail goldschmidt@un.org).]

Other forthcoming activities

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Conference on "Sustainable urban design" (organized by the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), in cooperation with the Institute for Urban Design, Toyo University, the Building Social Housing Foundation and the Rockefeller Foundation)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 4.45 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend.]

Informal presentation and discussion on "Linking development and small arms: Policy development, field programming and research" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Switzerland and the Quaker United Nations Office)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room A.

[All are invited to attend.]

Panel discussion on "Children in armed conflict: Advocacy and beyond" (organized by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Lawrence Gerard, OSRSG/CAAC (tel. 1 (917) 367-3422).]

Special ceremony in observance of World Food Day 2006 on the theme "Investing in agriculture for food security" (organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations)

Wednesday, 18 October 2006, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room 4

[All are invited to attend.]

Enforced disappearance — Information meeting on the draft international convention for the protection of all persons from enforced disappearance (organized by the Permanent Mission of France)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8

[The draft international convention will be presented to the General Assembly for approval at its sixty-first session. For further information, please contact Mr. François Vandeville (tel. 1 (212) 702-6963; e-mail francois.vandeville@diplomatie.gouv.fr); press contact: Mr. Axel Cruau (tel. 1 (212) 702-6943; e-mail axel.cruau@diplomatie.gouv.fr).]

Briefing by the President of the International Court of Justice to State members of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room D

Briefing by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on its *World Investment Report 2006*

Monday, 23 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9

[All are invited to attend.]

Special event on "Maximizing economic benefits and strengthening resilience in SIDS through sustainable tourism — Implementing the Mauritius Strategy" (organized by UN-OHRLLS and UNWTO)

Monday, 23 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Om Pradhan (tel. 1 (917) 367-5187; e-mail pradhano@un.org), or Mr. Rafeeuddin Ahmed (tel. 1 (212) 906-5375; e-mail rafeeuddin.ahmed@unwto.org).]

Special event on "How can SIDS benefit from the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF)?. Reso meet the objectives of the Mauritius Strategy" (organized by UN-OHRLLS)

Friday, 27 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Om Pradh (tel. 1 (917) 367-5387; e-mail pradhano@un.org); or Mr. Robert Enholm (tel. 1 (367-4116; or e-mail enholm@un.org).]

Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO)

Monday, 30 October 2006, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chambe

Announcements

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management holds informat meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improve the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminolo issues and the quality of services rendered. The second round of language-specif informational meetings for this year will be held in October and November, acc to the following schedule:

Monday, 30 October, from 3 to 6 p.m. *Arabic*
Tuesday, 31 October, from 3 to 6 p.m. *Chinese*
Wednesday, 1 November, from 3 to 6 p.m. *English*
Thursday, 2 November, from 3 to 6 p.m. *French*
Friday, 3 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. *Russian*
Friday, 3 November, from 3 to 6 p.m. *Spanish*

All meetings will take place in Conference Room 8.

Security Council **Daily informal briefings**

As from Wednesday, 4 October 2006, and for the rest of the month, the presiden the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work o Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of th Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (www.un.org/Docs/sc/).

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Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

UNITAR Fellowship Programme at Columbia University Law School and UNITAR Visitors Programme at New York University School of Law, for diplomats accredited o the United Nations

The deadline for registration is Monday, 23 October 2006. For further information, please contact the UNITAR office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 or 963-9196; e-mail goldschmidt@un.org; or info@unitarny.org).

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 16 October 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

32nd plenary meeting — *Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council* [103 (a)]

On the first round of balloting, having obtained the required two-thirds majority, four candidates, Belgium, Indonesia, Italy and South Africa were elected as non-permanent members of the Security Council for a two-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007.

Since one seat from the Latin American and Caribbean States remained to be filled General Assembly proceeded, in accordance with rule 94 of the rules of procedure, second round of balloting (first restricted ballot).

The results of the second round of balloting (first restricted ballot) were as follows

Number of ballot papers
Number of invalid ballots
Number of valid ballots
Abstentions
Required two-thirds majority

Guatemala
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

On the second round of balloting none of the countries obtained the required majo

The General Assembly proceeded to a third round of balloting (second restricted b

The results of the third round of balloting (second restricted ballot) were as follow

Number of ballot papers
Number of invalid ballots
Number of valid ballots
Abstentions
Required two-thirds majority

Guatemala
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

On the third round of balloting none of the countries obtained the required majorit

The General Assembly proceeded to a fourth round of balloting (third restricted ba

The results of the fourth round of balloting (third restricted ballot) were as follows

Number of ballot papers
Number of invalid ballots
Number of valid ballots
Abstentions
Required two-thirds majority

Guatemala
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

On the fourth round of balloting none of the countries obtained the required majo

There remained one seat from among the Latin American and Caribbean States to filled.

The Assembly decided, on the proposal by the President, to postpone to the afterno the balloting for that seat.

Programme of work

The President drew the attention of the General Assembly to document A/INF/61/4/Rev.1, which contained the revised programme of work and schedule of plenary meetings for the months of October, November and December 2006.

13rd plenary meeting *Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council* [103 (a)]

The General Assembly continued its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 103.

Since one seat from among the Latin American and Caribbean States remained to be filled, the Assembly proceeded, in accordance with rule 94 of the rules of procedure, to a fifth round of balloting (first unrestricted ballot).

The results of the fifth round of balloting (first unrestricted ballot) were as follows:

Number of ballot papers	192
Number of invalid ballots	0
Number of valid ballots	192
Abstentions	5
Required two-thirds majority	125

	Votes
Guatemala	103
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	83
Mexico	1

On the fifth round of balloting none of the countries obtained the required majority.

The General Assembly proceeded to a sixth round of balloting (second unrestricted ballot).

The results of the sixth round of balloting (second unrestricted ballot) were as follows:

Number of ballot papers	192
Number of invalid ballots	0
Number of valid ballots	192
Abstentions	5
Required two-thirds majority	125

	Votes
Guatemala	93
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	93
Mexico	1

On the sixth round of balloting none of the countries obtained the required majority.

The General Assembly proceeded to a seventh round of balloting (third unrestricted ballot).

The results of the seventh round of balloting (third unrestricted ballot) were as follows:

Number of ballot papers	192
Number of invalid ballots	0
Number of valid ballots	192
Abstentions	5
Required two-thirds majority	125

Guatemala
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)
Cuba
Mexico

On the seventh round of balloting none of the countries obtained the required maj

The General Assembly proceeded to a eighth round of balloting (fourth restricted ballot).

The results of the eighth round of balloting (fourth restricted ballot) were as follo

Number of ballot papers
Number of invalid ballots
Number of valid ballots
Abstentions
Required two-thirds majority

Guatemala
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

On the eighth round of balloting none of the countries obtained the required majo

The General Assembly proceeded to a ninth round of balloting (fifth restricted ba

The results of the ninth round of balloting (fifth restricted ballot) were as follows

Number of ballot papers
Number of invalid ballots
Number of valid ballots
Abstentions
Required two-thirds majority

Guatemala
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

On the ninth round of balloting none of the countries obtained the required majo

The General Assembly proceeded to a tenth round of balloting (sixth restricted ba

The results of the tenth round of balloting (sixth restricted ballot) were as follows

Number of ballot papers
Number of invalid ballots
Number of valid ballots
Abstentions
Required two-thirds majority

Guatemala
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

On the tenth round of balloting none of the countries obtained the required majo

There remained one seat from among the Latin American and Caribbean States to be filled.

The Assembly decided, on a proposal by the President, to postpone until the following day the balloting for that seat.

Main Committees

First Committee

14th meeting

Thematic discussion on item subjects, as well as the introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under all disarmament and international security agenda items (82 to 97)

The Committee continued its second stage of work, namely the "Thematic discussion on item subjects, as well as the introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under items 82 to 97."

The Chairman of the WMD Commission made a statement.

The Chairman of the Group of Governmental Experts on Verification made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Lithuania, the United States, Belarus and Gabon.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

10th meeting

Election of the officers of the Main Committee [5]

The representative of Algeria was elected as Vice-Chairperson, by acclamation.

Question relating to information [34]

The Chairman drew attention to the report of the Committee on Information, as contained in document A/61/21 and A/61/21/Add.1.

The Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information made a statement.

Interactive dialogue

The Committee held an interactive dialogue with the Under-Secretary-General and heard questions and comments by the representatives of the Sudan, China, the Russian Federation, Argentina and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

General debate

The Committee began its general debate with statements by the representatives of Israel, the United Arab Emirates, Cuba, Guyana (on behalf of the Rio Group), Finland (on behalf of the European Union) and Ukraine.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Third Committee

17th meeting

Promotion and protection of the rights of children

(a) Promotion and protection of the rights of children

(b) Follow-up to the special session on children

The Committee continued its general discussion of the item and heard statements representatives of Suriname, Peru, Albania, Morocco, the Islamic of Republic of Bahrain, the Gambia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Israel, the Congo, Jamaica, El Salvador, Kenya, Fiji, Burkina Faso, Sri Lanka, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Mali and Cam

The observer for Palestine also made a statement.

Statements were also made by the observers for the Sovereign Military Order of and the International Committee of the Red Cross.

Right of reply

The representative of Lebanon made a statement in the exercise of the right of re

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of agenda item 63, sub-item and (b).

18th meeting

Indigenous issues

(a) Indigenous issues

(b) Second International Decade of the World's Indigenous People

The Committee began its consideration of the item and heard an introductory sta by the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs.

The Under-Secretary-General responded to a query raised by the representative o Cuba.

The Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedo indigenous people made a presentation.

The Committee then engaged in a dialogue with the Special Rapporteur, in which delegations of Ecuador, Finland (on behalf of the European Union), Norway and Zealand took part.

The Committee then began its general discussion of the item and heard statement the representatives of Mexico, Norway (also on behalf of Denmark, Finland, Icel and Sweden), Colombia, New Zealand (also on behalf of Australia and the Unite States), Estonia, Ecuador, Fiji, Peru, Panama, the Russian Federation, Greece an

Statements were also made by the representatives of the International Organizati Migration, the World Intellectual Property Organization and the International Fu Agricultural Development.

The Committee was reminded that the deadline for submission of draft proposals agenda 64, sub-items (a) and (b), was Tuesday, 17 October at 1 p.m.

Organization of work

The Secretary made a statement.

Fifth Committee

6th meeting

Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 [117]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Director of the Programme, planning and budget Division introduced the reports of the Secretary-General (A/61/158, A/61/166, A/61/295 and A/61/282).

The Vice-Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related reports of that Committee (A/61/362, A/61/361, A/61/480 and A/61/479).

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Finland (on behalf of the European Union; the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Turkey, Croatia and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; the EFTA country Norway, member of the European Economic Area, as well as Ukraine and Moldova, which aligned themselves with the statement), Angola (on behalf of the African Group), the United States, Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada), Pakistan, Nigeria, Ethiopia, Japan and Iraq.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of these questions.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on construction at ECA and construction at the Vienna International Centre would begin on that day, Monday, 16 October, following the adjournment of the formal meeting in Conference Room 5, under the chairmanship of Mr. Marc-Aubin Banny (Côte d'Ivoire), to be followed by informal consutations on the contingent liability reserve for the United Nations Postal Administration under the chairmanship of Ms. Arwa Ali Noman (Yemen).

Sixth Committee

5th–6th meetings

Measures to eliminate international terrorism [100]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 100.

Statements were made by the representatives of Iceland, Cambodia, Zambia, Sri Lanka, Yemen, Morocco, Nepal, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Israel, the Syrian Arab Republic and Azerbaijan (on behalf of the OIC Group). The observer of the Observer State of the Holy See also made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its debate on agenda item 100.

Requests for observer status in the General Assembly [153]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 153.

Observer status for the OPEC Fund for International Development in the General Assembly

Statements were made by the representatives of Saudi Arabia and Cuba.

The representative of Saudi Arabia introduced draft resolution A/C.6/61/L.3.

It was announced that Egypt, Indonesia, Jordan, Lebanon, Oman, Qatar, Senegal and Yemen had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

Observer status for the Indian Ocean Commission in the General Assembly

The representative of Mauritius made a statement and introduced draft resolution A/C.6/61/L.2.

Observer status for the Association of Southeast Asian Nations in the General Assembly

Statements were made by the representatives of the Philippines, Indonesia, Singapore and China.

The representative of the Philippines introduced draft resolution A/C.6/61/L.4.

It was announced that Australia, France, Japan, Timor-Leste, the United Kingdom of Great Britian and Northern Ireland and the United States of America had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

Administration of justice at the United Nations [128]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 128.

Statements were made by the representatives of Canada (on behalf of CANZ), the United States, South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the Russian Federation, Pakistan, Egypt, the Syrian Arab Republic and Germany.

It was decided that the Committee would revert to this item at a later stage in the light of consultations to be held.

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [79]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 79.

The Chairman of the 2006 session of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization introduced the report of the Special Committee (A/61/33).

The Director of the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs, made a statement on the status of the Repertory of Practice of United Nations Organs.

The Officer-in-Charge of the Security Council Practices and Charter Research Branch, Department of Political Affairs, made a statement on the status of the Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council.

Statements were made of Finland (on behalf of the European Union, the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania, the candidate countries Turkey, Croatia and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia; and the EFTA countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, as well as Moldova), Guyana (on behalf of the Rio Group), the Gambia (on behalf the African Group), India, the Sudan, Algeria, Myanmar, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Japan, China, Egypt, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the United States, Cameroon, Cuba, Belarus, the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea, Viet Nam, the Russian Federation, the Republic of Korea and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The rule of law at the national and international levels [80]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 80.

Statements were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union; the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Turkey, Croatia and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia, and the EFTA countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, as well as Ukraine and Moldova), New Zealand (on behalf of CANZ) and Pakistan.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

United Nations Convention against Corruption, New York, 31 October 2003

Territorial application to the British Virgin Islands: United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (12 October 2006)[1]

Notifications made under articles 44 (6), 46 (13) and (14): Poland (13 October 2006)[1]

International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, New York, 7 March 1966

Accession: Saint Kitts and Nevis (13 October 2006)[1]

Treaty event

Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network Jakarta, 12 April 2006

Opening for signature

The above Agreement was adopted by the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific at its sixty-second session by resolution number 62/4 on the Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network, held in Jakarta, Indonesia, on 12 April 2006.

It shall be open for signature by States, which are members of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, at Busan, Republic of Korea, on 10 and 11 November 2006, during the Ministerial Conference on Transport, and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters in New York from 16 November 2006 to 31 December 2008.

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Certified true copies of the Agreement, of which the Chinese, English and Rus
are equally authentic, will be prepared and will be transmitted to all States as
feasible.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under the establish
international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers
Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on
a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representati
wishing to sign a treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers, whic
expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative
signed by one of these authorities. Full powers are distinct from credentials.
alone are not adequate for the purpose of signing a treaty.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Agreeme
notify and, as necessary, provide copies of the required full powers in advance
Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters in Ne
(tel: 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org).

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups f
month of *October 2006* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Gambia
H.E. Mr. Crispin Grey-Johnson

Asian States:
Japan
H.E. Mr. Kenzo Oshima

Eastern European States:
Bosnia and Herzegovina
H.E. Mr. Miloš Prica

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Ecuador
H.E. Mr. Diego Cordovez

Western European and other States:
Liechtenstein
H.E. Mr. Christian Wenaweser

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A/61/30	Report of the International Civil Service Commission for the year 2006 — Supplement No. 30 [A C E F R S]
A/61/36	Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights — Supplement No. 36 [A C E F R S]
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A/61/15 (Part IV)	Report of the Trade and Development Board on its fifty-third session [A C E F R S]
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A/61/369	Item 67 (c) — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — Situation of human rights in Myanmar — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
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A/61/470	Item 67 (c) — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — Situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967 — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

First Committee

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A/C.1/61/L.17 — Item 90 — General and complete disarmament — One-Power draft resolution Declaration of the Fourth Disarmament Decade (2008-2018) [A C E F R S]

A/C.1/61/L.23 — Item 90 — General and complete disarmament — One-Power draft resolution Prohibition of the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nu explosive devices [A C E F R S]

A/C.1/61/L.28 — Item 91 (e) — Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Special Session of the General Assembly — 25-Power draft resolution — Unite Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific [A S]

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A/C.2/61/L.8 — Item 60 (b) — Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: special economic assistance to individual countries or regions — 10-Power draft resolution — Humanitarian assistance and reconstruction for the Philippines [A C E F R S]

Third Committee

A/C.3/61/L.11 — Item 61 (a) — Advancement of women — One-Power draft resolution — Trafficking in women and girls [A C E F R S]

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S/2006/506	Letter dated 17 July 2006 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
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S/2006/545	Letter dated 17 July 2006 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
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United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Se
Council [A C E F R S]

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S/Agenda/5550 Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]

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S/RES/1717 (2006) Adopted by the Security Council at its 5550th meeting [A C E F R S]

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

Documents

Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women
Thirty-seventh session

CEDAW/C/2007/I/3 Item 5 of the provisional agenda — Implementation of article 22 of the Conv
the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women — Reports pr
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areas falling within the scope of their activities — Note by the Secretary-Gen
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